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REMARKS

No new matter is added by this amendment. The present application was filed on July 26, 2001 with original claims 1-44 and claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/221,761 entitled "SYSTEM FOR MINIMIZING INJURY AFTER COLLISION" filed July 31, 2000. The claims were subject to a restriction requirement and claims 1-16 and 24-36 were elected. In an amendment dated March 18, 2003, claims 4, 7, and 29 were cancelled, claims 1-6, 8-11, 24-28, 30, and 32 were amended and new claims 45-59 were added. In an amendment dated December 18, 2003, claims 1, 6 and 24 were amended and previously withdrawn claims 17-23 and 37-44 were cancelled. By this amendment claims 8 and 10 are amended and claims 9, 11, 30-33, 49-51 and 56-59 have been cancelled without prejudice. The claims remaining in consideration are claims 1-3, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12-16, 24-28, 45-48 and 52-55. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The Examiner indicated that claims 1-3, 5, 6, 12-16, 24-28, 45-48 and 53-55 were allowed. This is noted with appreciation.

Claims 8 and 10 have been amended to be dependent on allowable claim 5. Therefore applicants respectfully assert that dependent claims 8 and 10 are also allowable.

All of the Examiner's objections and rejections having been successfully overcome or made moot, Applicant respectfully asserts that the present application is now in condition for allowance and request a early notice of allowance. If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview would be helpful, please contact the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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